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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Attorney General

1. In connection with the [] mission, I am sure you have been informed that [] has returned from Cuba with some confirmation that the drug deliveries have not been entirely satisfactory and Cuban complaints are, at least in part, legitimate.

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2. Upon hearing this, Mr. McCone asked me to suggest to you that direct contact be made with Mr. []

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[] in an effort to make appropriate corrections and prevent difficulties in the future.

3. Mr. McCone also suggested that adequate steps be taken to provide enough qualified people from HEW and the Public Health Service to see that the drug deliveries are properly inventoried and checked out.

4. The foregoing has been passed to [] in New York, but I believe that action at your level is indicated.

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(Not signed or fwd - see M/R below)

Marshall S. Carter
Lieutenant General, USA
Acting Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Orally passed to the AG at 11:10 at White House, and then to his Special Assistant by phone at 12:45.

/s/ M. S. C.

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cc - Gen. Counsel; Exec Dir.; (DDCI) EA-DCI; ER
w/background memo of conversation

Conversation Between Mr. McCone and General Carter at 10:45 on
Monday, 1 April 1963

25X1 Mr. McCone asked General Carter to call the Attorney General
since, now that [] is back, he (Mr. McCone) thinks the directors
and heads of the drug industry should be alerted to the fact that we want
25X1 "this thing" pursued energetically and do not want any (word not audible)
and unwrapped narcotics. Mr. McCone said he understands that Mr.
[] says there are some legitimate complaints.

Mr. McCone said there is a man named [] who is a 25X1
member of "that board" -- he is well known to the Attorney General and
has much contact with the administration "since he is a good member of
that party" -- Mr. McCone stated that [] could convene the board 25X1
and discuss the problems, the plus's and minus's, and be sure that nothing
gets off the rail.

I could not hear Mr. McCone's next statement, but he added that
"if they let this thing go, it could subject them to criticism on the Hill,"
and that nothing would please the Congressional Committee more. He
said that now is the time to be sure that does not happen.

Mr. McCone repeated his request that General Carter call the
Attorney General and give him the [] ^{report} or have Mr. Houston do it, 25X1
and suggest that they move in. He said we should be sure that we get
enough people from HEW to see that the stuff is properly inventoried
and checked out.

Mr. McCone said that he gave the Attorney General all of these
things in writing except to talk to the board itself. He added that he
thinks things are better than was indicated in "that report," but that
there is room for complaint.

25X1 General Carter asked Mr. McCone if he was in Washington at the
time the newspapers had an article that the drug companies were reporting
this was a profitable deal, and Mr. McCone replied negatively and asked
that [] clip the articles and send them to him Air Mail Special
Delivery.